

SON OF MAN Part 2

Even Unto the West

corrections are needed at that particular time and not so much a new message. That's why saints, mujeddids, mahdis and even messiahs came when the people were in need of more religious light-or knowledge.

MESSIAH: PERFECT RECEPTOR AND REPRESENTATIVE

If a man is a messiah, it doesn't necessarily mean that he is a prophet. Any man who is divinely clean, who has received the Word of God and who is a perfect representative of that truth is a messiah. To be perfect in this sense means that the person doesn't introduce foreign ideas when he talks about God and His message. The messiah is not attached partly to the divine message and partly to a political doctrine or to some other doctrine. He is able to give out the message of God without corrupting that truth. The messiah has been wiped clean with divine truth and knowledge. This cleansing has made him clean, pure and upright.

Jesus did not attach a great importance to calling himself Messiah or Christ. He knew that being Messiah or Christ was no supernatural thing about which one should boast. Not only was Jesus a messiah, but he also was the Son of Man, a holy prophet of Allah.

DAVID WAS A MESSIAH

Jesus was one that inherited the rule and the works of the prophets before him, even Adam. The child inherits his father's works, and in inheriting his father's works, he becomes "the boss" in the absence of the boss.

Although David was a messiah who was anointed (taught divine wisdom) by Samuel, Jesus did not build up David to the people. Jesus didn't need to be

anointed by Samuel because Jesus was produced by Divine Revelation.

David was a king and he was a man who respected divine wisdom. The oil (divine wisdom) with which David had been anointed made him worthy of being called a messiah.

Those who were to follow David and who were to keep his throne in power were called the sons of David. The nationalistic Jews were looking for a son of David or a messiah who would sit on the throne and who would just govern the world of the Jews. Jesus, however, was trying to tell the people that he was greater than David and that he was more than a messiah.

JESUS INHERITED THE WORKS OF GOD

Jesus was one who had not inherited the works of his physical father, but he had inherited the works of his Creator (God).

In Islam, we don't use the term "father" interchangeably for God because a father's role is limited. A father is one who generates the human life by throwing off the seed. He gives the seed to a receptor, which is a female womb or a fertile field that is separated from himself, and that germ depends upon the womb for its growth. The father concept is good when we are talking about what happened in the physical world to separate matter from the body of mind, but it is an inadequate term when we are talking about God.

GOD FEEDS THE SINCERE MIND

29. ﴿هُوَ الَّذِي يَتْلُو صُورًا وَيُرْوِي الْعَيْنَ وَيُغْنِي عَنِ الْعَيْنِ﴾
 Every creature in the heavens
 And on earth,
 Every day in (new) Splendour
 Doth He (shine)

Holy Quran - Yusuf Ali Translation - Surah LV: 29

Almighty God Allah creates life and He creates mind which comes into the world



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and feeds upon the physical world.

What happens to the mind that Allah creates that comes into the world and finds nothing upon which to feed?

Jesus said that he came into the world and that there was no fruit, because the people had nothing to offer as food for his mind. The mind that God creates cries to the Originator of the heavens and the earth, and in turn for its sincerity, God begins to feed this mind. In feeding the mind, God is clearly shown as being more than a father because he is able to produce life without the aid of a womb.

INDEPENDENT OF THE WOMB

Most of the people of Jesus' time were too ignorant to understand what he was telling them. When those who thought that they understood him allowed their teaching to become corrupt, they lost its true meaning.

When Jesus referred to himself as being one who was not born of the world or of a mother, he meant exactly that. He meant that this world, which is the womb for ordinary minds, was not the womb that produced his mind.

Christians say that Jesus was one who was born immaculately and that he didn't have a father. Jesus told the people that the womb or woman that had birthed his mind had not been touched by a man. He meant that there was nothing in the physical world that had given birth to his mind.

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